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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for five types of equipment, including 20 and 40ft dry, 20 and 40ft refrigerated, and 40ft high-cube containers, and provides estimates of equipment availability for the current week and projections two weeks out. The data are voluntarily provided to AMS by six members of the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA).

Note: Corrections made to Kansas City data on March 24, 2014

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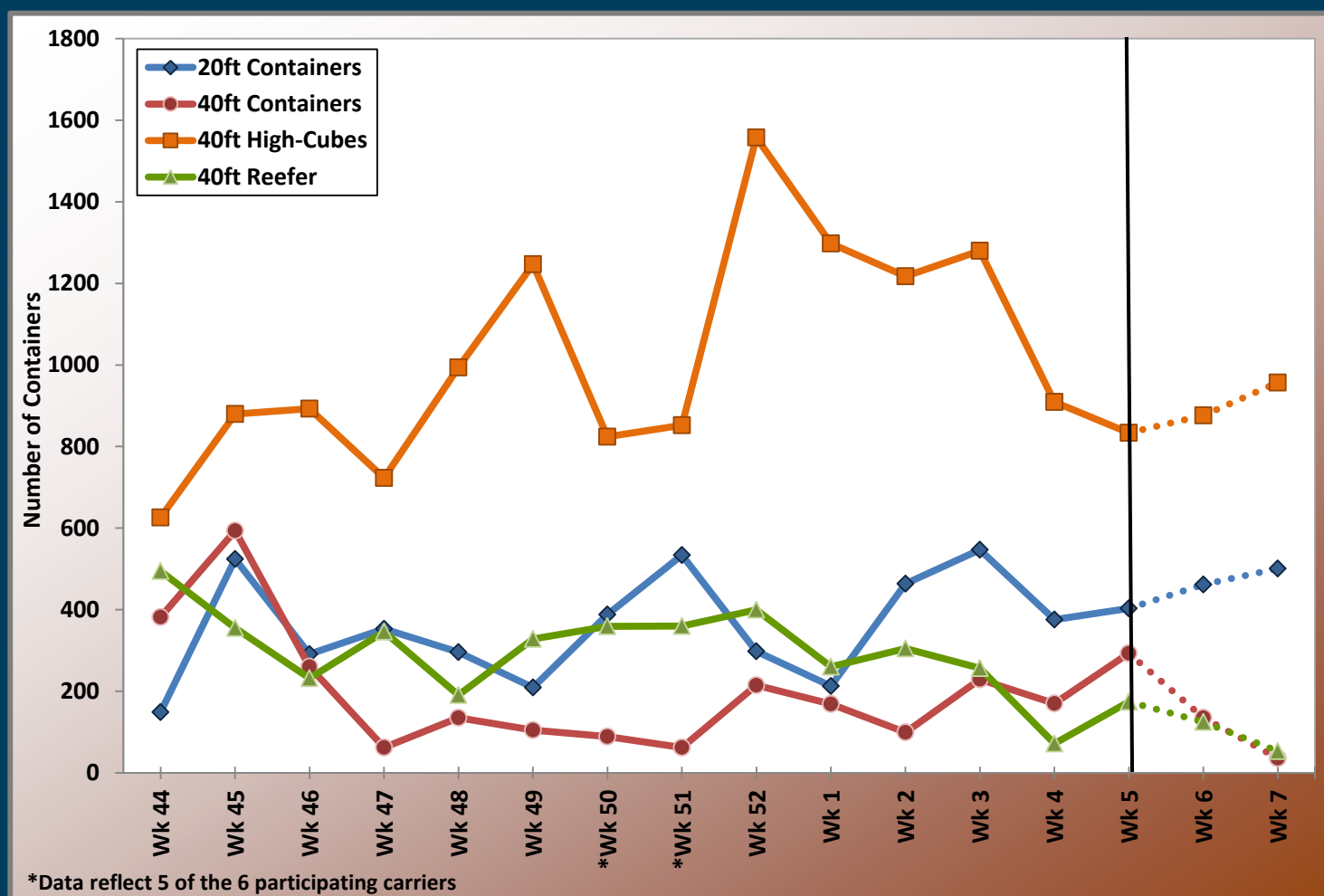
Location Specific Container Availability Analysis

Historical Analysis of Norfolk

The Port of Norfolk, VA, consistently ranks among the top 10 export ports for total and containerized water-borne agricultural exports. Between January and March 2013, Norfolk moved nearly 585 thousand metric tons of containerized agricultural exports. Approximately 40 percent of the commodities were grain products, including soybeans, followed by grocery items (13 percent), poultry (8 percent), meat, and tobacco products (both accounting for 7 percent). Norfolk is the top U.S. export port for tobacco products, moving more than 80 percent of these exports in 2012. Approximately 68 percent of containerized agricultural exports moved in 40ft containers; 26 percent moved in 20ft containers. Since refrigerated exports such as poultry and meat are among the top containerized agricultural products through Norfolk, data for 40ft refrigerated containers is included in the historical graphic below.

Container availability in Norfolk has exhibited strong weekly fluctuations since the beginning of November, averaging 360 40ft dry containers and over 1,000 40ft high-cube containers. Weekly spikes topped 1,550 units for 40ft high-cube containers, and fell to 36 units this week for 40ft containers. Refrigerated 40ft containers averaged around 300 units with a spike reaching nearly 500 units in early November, and the low falling to 53 units this week. Availability projections for the next 2 weeks are expected to follow the average trend of the last few months—40ft high cube and 20ft dry containers are expected to increase while estimates for 40ft dry and refrigerated containers are expected to decrease.

Weekly Container Availability Estimates in Norfolk, 1st week of November, 2013 (Wk 44) through 1st week of February (Wk 5), 2014, with Projections

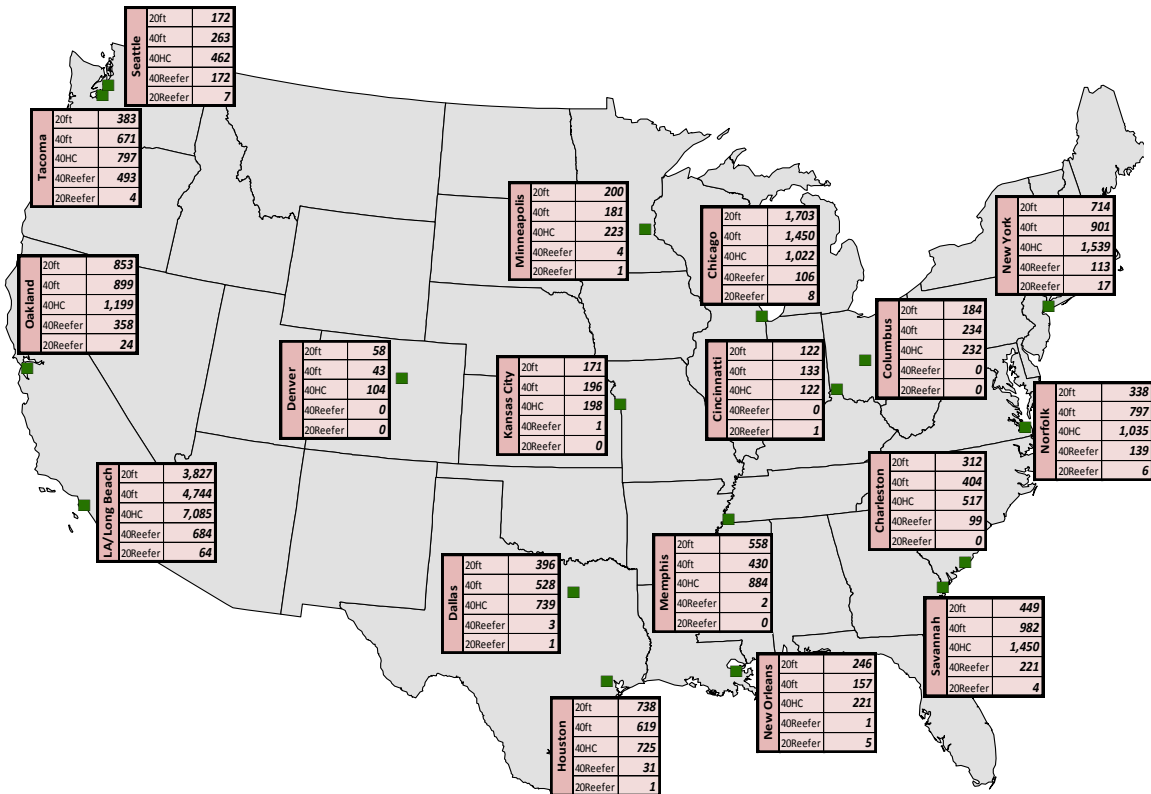


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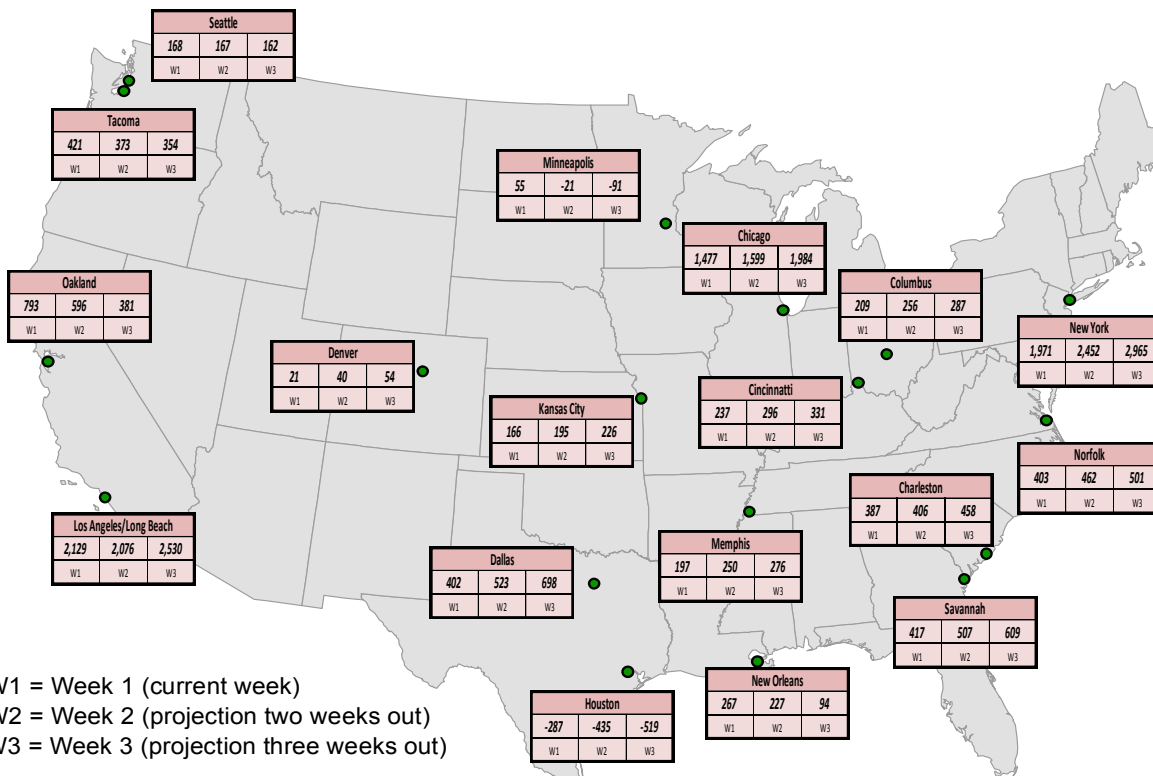
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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



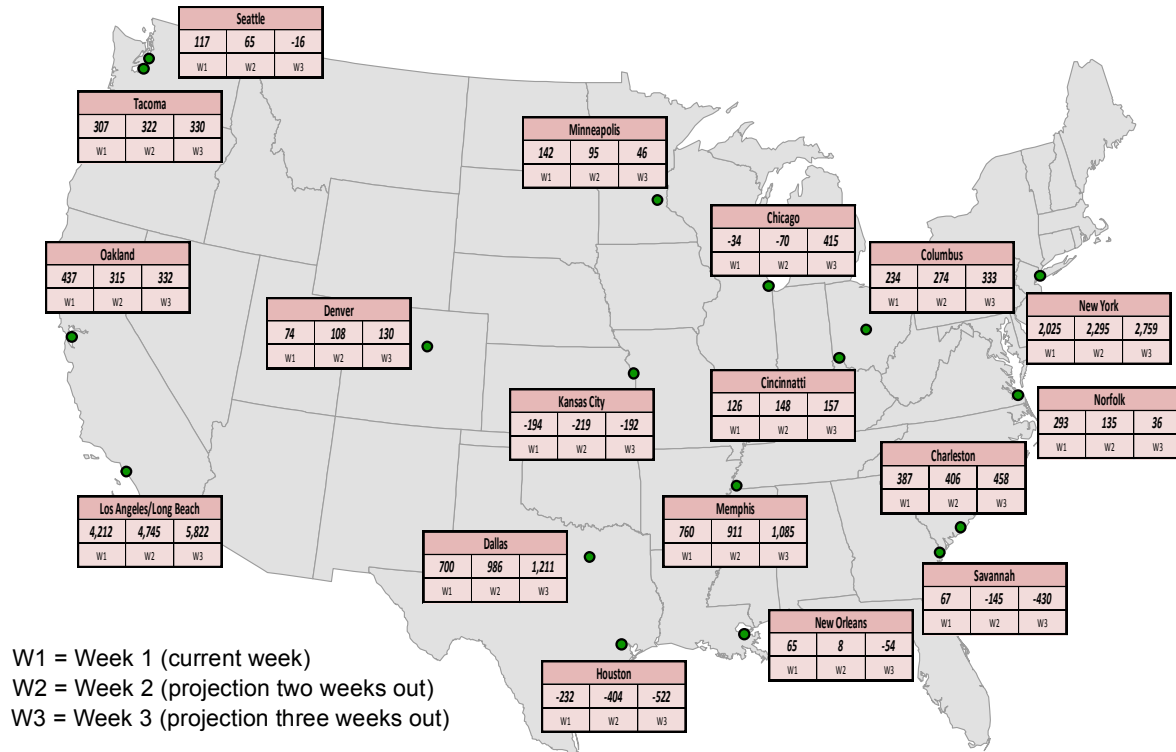
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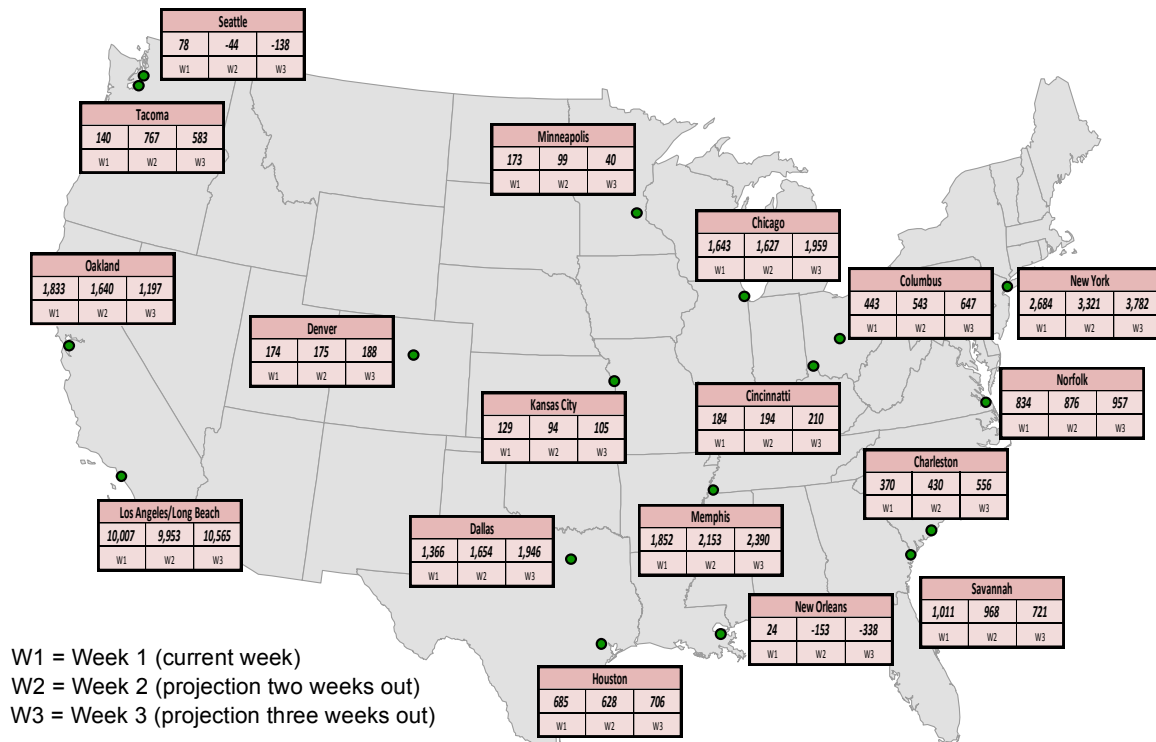
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Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 40ft High Cube Containers

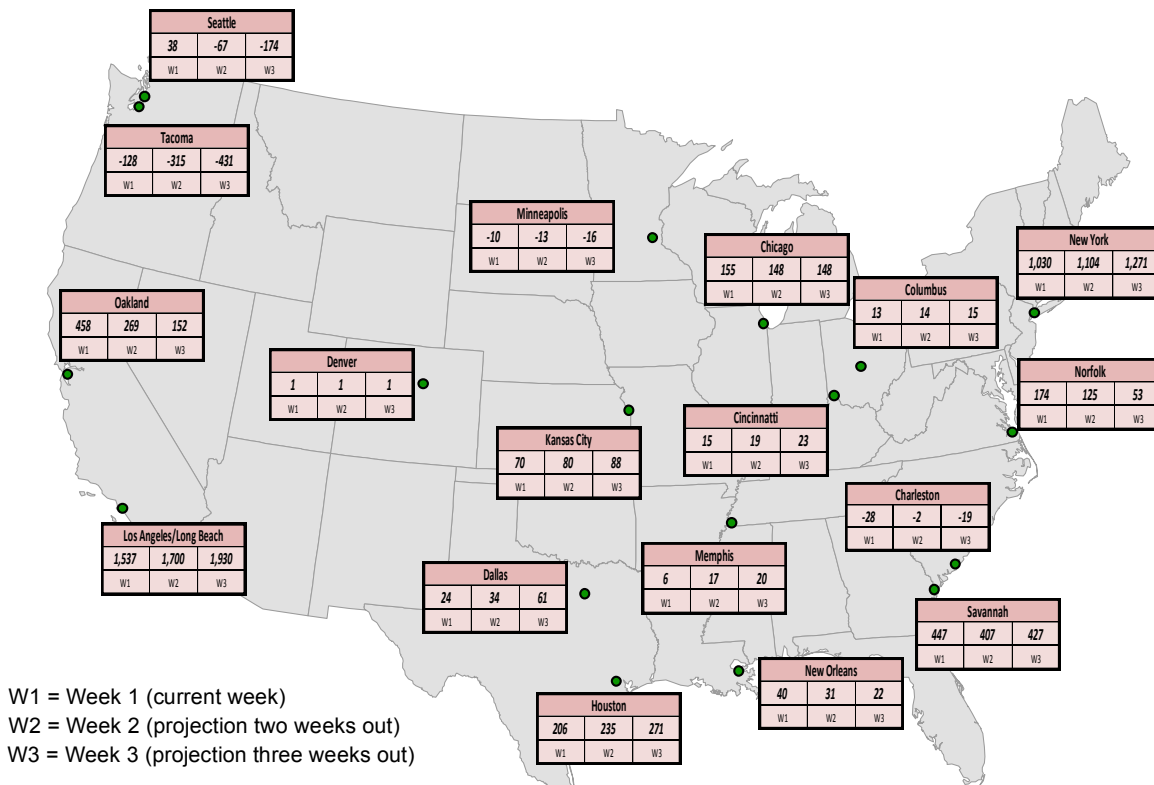


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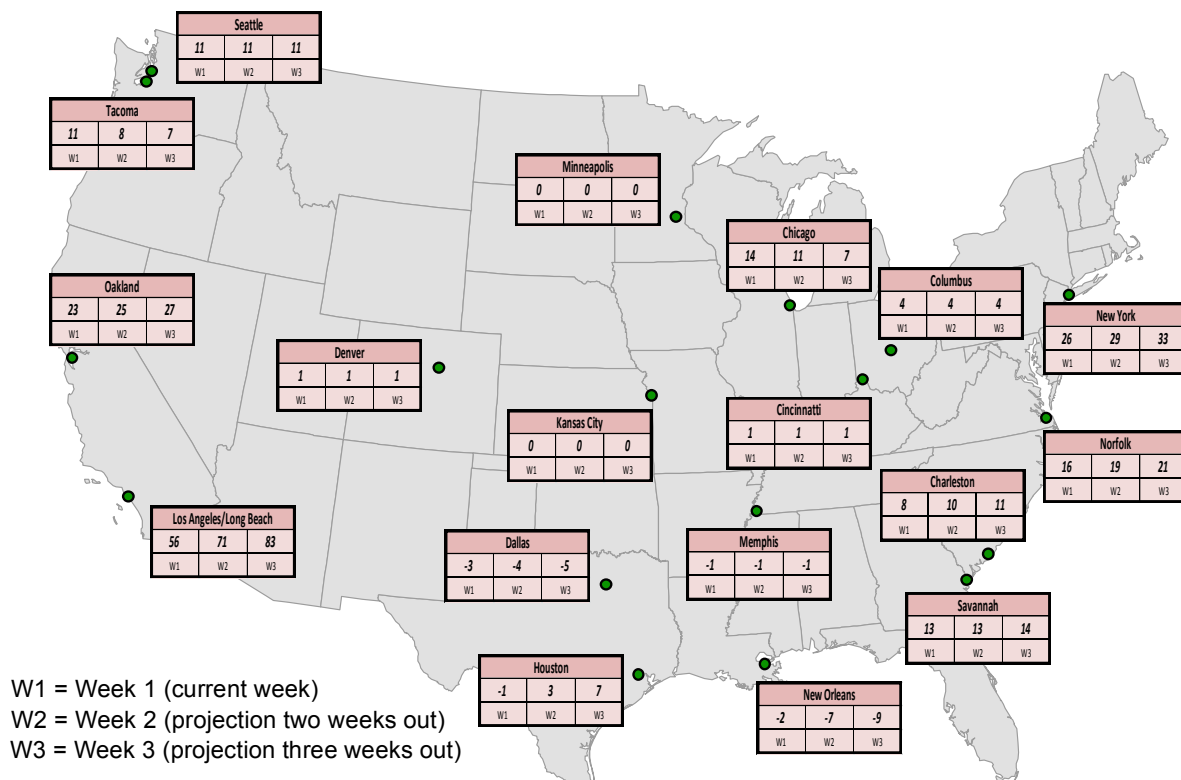
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Average Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



Average Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	123	106	80	64	10	4	.	.	.	.	387
Week 2: Feb 5-11	94	103	80	93	32	4	.	.	.	.	406
Week 3: Feb 12-18	85	132	80	119	38	4	.	.	.	.	458
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	173	119	48	20	12	3	.	.	.	.	375
Week 2: Feb 5-11	98	160	87	20	36	3	.	.	.	.	404
Week 3: Feb 12-18	93	202	81	20	64	3	.	.	.	.	463
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	161	110	48	30	19	2	.	.	.	.	370
Week 2: Feb 5-11	215	129	45	30	9	2	.	.	.	.	430
Week 3: Feb 12-18	271	185	60	30	9	1	.	.	.	.	556
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	61	22	9	5	2	-127	.	.	.	.	-28
Week 2: Feb 5-11	52	25	6	5	1	-91	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 3: Feb 12-18	42	28	7	5	1	-102	.	.	.	.	-19
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	6	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 2: Feb 5-11	7	3	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10
Week 3: Feb 12-18	7	4	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	312	0...108
40ft	404	0...200
40ft High Cubes	517	17...200
40ft Refrigerated	99	0...60
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



Chicago											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	969	255	158	100	2	-7	.	.	.	.	1,477
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1,163	208	115	100	8	5	.	.	.	.	1,599
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1,354	237	282	100	8	3	.	.	.	.	1,984
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	334	244	30	4	-46	-600	.	.	.	.	-34
Week 2: Feb 5-11	421	213	17	6	-127	-600	.	.	.	.	-70
Week 3: Feb 12-18	509	363	12	7	124	-600	.	.	.	.	415
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	600	406	395	133	108	1	.	.	.	.	1,643
Week 2: Feb 5-11	600	460	442	63	58	4	.	.	.	.	1,627
Week 3: Feb 12-18	600	533	637	131	52	6	.	.	.	.	1,959
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	71	61	15	7	1	.	.	.	.	.	155
Week 2: Feb 5-11	70	54	20	7	-3	.	.	.	.	.	148
Week 3: Feb 12-18	71	55	15	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	148
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	9	5	14
Week 2: Feb 5-11	6	5	11
Week 3: Feb 12-18	3	4	7

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	1,703	93...600
40ft	1,450	5...302
40ft High Cubes	1,022	34...405
40ft Refrigerated	106	0...51
20ft Refrigerated	8	0...4

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Cincinnati											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	116	56	54	14	0	-3	237
Week 2: Feb 5-11	134	72	75	12	0	3	.	.	.	.	296
Week 3: Feb 12-18	147	72	92	18	0	2	.	.	.	.	331
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	50	45	14	12	10	-5	.	.	.	.	126
Week 2: Feb 5-11	54	57	14	9	10	4	.	.	.	.	148
Week 3: Feb 12-18	57	60	16	15	10	-1	.	.	.	.	157
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	89	50	18	16	14	-3	.	.	.	.	184
Week 2: Feb 5-11	108	50	14	8	14	0	.	.	.	.	194
Week 3: Feb 12-18	127	50	14	7	12	0	.	.	.	.	210
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	15	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
Week 2: Feb 5-11	19	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19
Week 3: Feb 12-18	23	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	23
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	122	7...35
40ft	133	8...30
40ft High Cubes	122	11...35
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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Columbus											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	100	75	25	10	1	-2	209
Week 2: Feb 5-11	121	110	10	12	1	2	.	.	.	.	256
Week 3: Feb 12-18	140	116	19	12	1	-1	.	.	.	.	287
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	96	60	50	18	11	-1	.	.	.	.	234
Week 2: Feb 5-11	115	80	50	17	11	1	.	.	.	.	274
Week 3: Feb 12-18	133	108	50	26	16	0	.	.	.	.	333
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	150	145	114	21	15	-2	.	.	.	.	443
Week 2: Feb 5-11	150	189	152	37	15	0	.	.	.	.	543
Week 3: Feb 12-18	150	230	207	47	14	-1	.	.	.	.	647
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	13	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Feb 5-11	14	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
Week 3: Feb 12-18	15	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 2: Feb 5-11	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Feb 12-18	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	184	8...60
40ft	234	6...80
40ft High Cubes	232	15...60
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Dallas											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	110	89	75	68	50	10	402
Week 2: Feb 5-11	92	193	110	68	50	10	.	.	.	.	523
Week 3: Feb 12-18	130	304	145	59	50	10	.	.	.	.	698
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	227	167	160	132	9	5	.	.	.	.	700
Week 2: Feb 5-11	340	241	225	168	7	5	.	.	.	.	986
Week 3: Feb 12-18	459	307	275	155	10	5	.	.	.	.	1,211
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	394	300	250	216	197	9	.	.	.	.	1,366
Week 2: Feb 5-11	486	239	250	340	331	8	.	.	.	.	1,654
Week 3: Feb 12-18	561	210	250	433	481	11	.	.	.	.	1,946
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	32	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	24
Week 2: Feb 5-11	43	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
Week 3: Feb 12-18	71	0	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	61
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Feb 5-11	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4
Week 3: Feb 12-18	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	396	5...150
40ft	528	12...250
40ft High Cubes	739	22...250
40ft Refrigerated	3	0...3
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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Denver											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	17	9	2	1	-1	-7	21
Week 2: Feb 5-11	15	14	2	12	3	-6	.	.	.	.	40
Week 3: Feb 12-18	16	16	2	24	1	-5	.	.	.	.	54
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	48	14	7	6	1	-2	.	.	.	.	74
Week 2: Feb 5-11	67	17	9	12	1	2	.	.	.	.	108
Week 3: Feb 12-18	84	17	8	19	1	1	.	.	.	.	130
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	81	45	15	13	13	7	.	.	.	.	174
Week 2: Feb 5-11	105	30	15	1	17	7	.	.	.	.	175
Week 3: Feb 12-18	125	25	15	-1	17	7	.	.	.	.	188
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1	0	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1	1
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1	1
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1	1

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	58	3...17
40ft	43	1...10
40ft High Cubes	104	1...50
40ft Refrigerated	0	0...0
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Houston											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	60	30	10	9	-64	-332	-287
Week 2: Feb 5-11	46	30	9	5	-78	-447	.	.	.	.	-435
Week 3: Feb 12-18	20	30	10	3	-46	-536	.	.	.	.	-519
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	93	50	42	2	1	-420	.	.	.	.	-232
Week 2: Feb 5-11	56	50	21	3	-15	-519	.	.	.	.	-404
Week 3: Feb 12-18	41	50	41	3	-18	-639	.	.	.	.	-522
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	500	172	75	5	-3	-64	.	.	.	.	685
Week 2: Feb 5-11	500	176	63	2	-8	-105	.	.	.	.	628
Week 3: Feb 12-18	500	199	82	2	-10	-67	.	.	.	.	706
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	150	32	22	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	206
Week 2: Feb 5-11	160	32	41	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	235
Week 3: Feb 12-18	170	32	67	2	0	.	.	.	.	.	271
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	8	0	-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-1
Week 2: Feb 5-11	11	0	-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Week 3: Feb 12-18	14	0	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	738	50...316
40ft	619	50...126
40ft High Cubes	725	26...355
40ft Refrigerated	31	0...12
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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Kansas City											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	86	70	20	2	-1	-11	166
Week 2: Feb 5-11	97	70	30	6	3	-11	.	.	.	.	195
Week 3: Feb 12-18	112	70	42	11	1	-10	.	.	.	.	226
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	24	21	1	-9	-11	-220	.	.	.	.	-194
Week 2: Feb 5-11	30	20	-41	3	-11	-220	.	.	.	.	-219
Week 3: Feb 12-18	37	18	-45	30	-12	-220	.	.	.	.	-192
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	150	28	15	4	-14	-54	.	.	.	.	129
Week 2: Feb 5-11	150	33	10	-14	-15	-70	.	.	.	.	94
Week 3: Feb 12-18	150	38	34	-16	-15	-86	.	.	.	.	105
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	41	29	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	70
Week 2: Feb 5-11	40	40	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	80
Week 3: Feb 12-18	35	53	0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	88
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	0
Week 2: Feb 5-11	0	0
Week 3: Feb 12-18	0	0

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	171	7...60
40ft	196	9...75
40ft High Cubes	198	14...59
40ft Refrigerated	1	0...1
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Los Angeles and Long Beach											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	836	750	394	250	44	-145	.	.	.	.	2,129
Week 2: Feb 5-11	640	750	510	409	40	-273	.	.	.	.	2,076
Week 3: Feb 12-18	620	750	766	569	43	-218	.	.	.	.	2,530
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,500	1,046	771	761	80	54	.	.	.	.	4,212
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1,500	771	1,190	1,071	161	52	.	.	.	.	4,745
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1,500	750	1,772	1,487	268	45	.	.	.	.	5,822
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	5,500	1,855	1,456	1,193	52	-49	.	.	.	.	10,007
Week 2: Feb 5-11	5,500	2,445	1,164	885	57	-98	.	.	.	.	9,953
Week 3: Feb 12-18	5,500	3,255	1,050	860	50	-150	.	.	.	.	10,565
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	646	389	180	136	111	75	.	.	.	.	1,537
Week 2: Feb 5-11	664	433	190	182	156	75	.	.	.	.	1,700
Week 3: Feb 12-18	744	538	188	200	185	75	.	.	.	.	1,930
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	23	23	10	56
Week 2: Feb 5-11	35	26	10	71
Week 3: Feb 12-18	47	26	10	83

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	3,827	46...2500
40ft	4,744	83...3000
40ft High Cubes	7,085	203...3300
40ft Refrigerated	684	21...300
20ft Refrigerated	64	1...50

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Memphis											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	100	46	37	17	4	-7	197
Week 2: Feb 5-11	100	21	58	70	1	0	.	.	.	.	250
Week 3: Feb 12-18	100	17	64	92	3	0	.	.	.	.	276
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	400	213	158	4	0	-15	.	.	.	.	760
Week 2: Feb 5-11	400	335	150	3	22	1	.	.	.	.	911
Week 3: Feb 12-18	400	471	187	3	28	-4	.	.	.	.	1,085
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,400	251	199	9	-3	-4	.	.	.	.	1,852
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1,400	492	249	7	7	-2	.	.	.	.	2,153
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1,400	674	287	6	26	-3	.	.	.	.	2,390
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	12	0	-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Feb 5-11	21	0	-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
Week 3: Feb 12-18	22	0	-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	-1	-1
Week 2: Feb 5-11	-1	-1
Week 3: Feb 12-18	-1	-1

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	558	11...300
40ft	430	11...200
40ft High Cubes	884	9...600
40ft Refrigerated	2	0...2
20ft Refrigerated	0	0...0

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Minneapolis											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	90	72	30	1	-6	-132	55
Week 2: Feb 5-11	128	8	30	1	-8	-180	.	.	.	.	-21
Week 3: Feb 12-18	144	-23	30	0	-7	-235	.	.	.	.	-91
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	275	13	-2	-3	-18	-123	.	.	.	.	142
Week 2: Feb 5-11	275	-1	-8	2	12	-185	.	.	.	.	95
Week 3: Feb 12-18	275	-4	-10	-2	31	-244	.	.	.	.	46
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	120	85	27	16	-8	-67	.	.	.	.	173
Week 2: Feb 5-11	120	100	4	3	-8	-120	.	.	.	.	99
Week 3: Feb 12-18	120	110	-6	5	-9	-180	.	.	.	.	40
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-10
Week 2: Feb 5-11	0	-13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-13
Week 3: Feb 12-18	0	-16	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-16
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	0	0
Week 2: Feb 5-11	0	0
Week 3: Feb 12-18	0	0

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	200	3...102
40ft	181	1...80
40ft High Cubes	223	2...144
40ft Refrigerated	4	0...4
20ft Refrigerated	1	0...1

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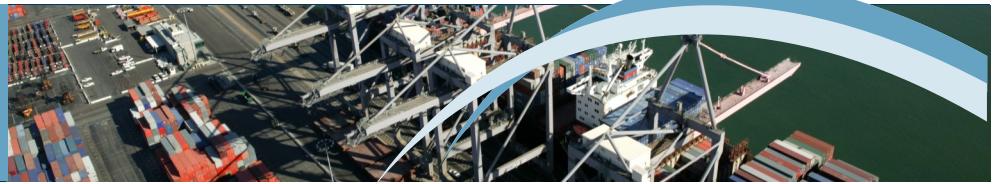


New Orleans											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	280	14	6	0	0	-33	267
Week 2: Feb 5-11	283	11	3	0	-1	-69	.	.	.	.	227
Week 3: Feb 12-18	168	10	4	0	-2	-86	.	.	.	.	94
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	39	25	10	0	0	-9	.	.	.	.	65
Week 2: Feb 5-11	43	25	14	0	2	-76	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Feb 12-18	39	26	12	0	1	-132	.	.	.	.	-54
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	29	12	9	3	0	-29	.	.	.	.	24
Week 2: Feb 5-11	34	12	-164	1	0	-36	.	.	.	.	-153
Week 3: Feb 12-18	42	9	-328	-2	0	-59	.	.	.	.	-338
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	47	0	-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Week 2: Feb 5-11	46	0	-15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	31
Week 3: Feb 12-18	45	0	-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	3	-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2
Week 2: Feb 5-11	3	-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-7
Week 3: Feb 12-18	3	-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-9

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	246	5...158
40ft	157	5...80
40ft High Cubes	221	5...139
40ft Refrigerated	1	0...1
20ft Refrigerated	5	0...5

*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



New York											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	891	321	289	227	225	18	.	.	.	.	1,971
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1,203	424	212	363	225	25	.	.	.	.	2,452
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1,526	497	201	496	225	20	.	.	.	.	2,965
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	773	554	297	230	151	20	.	.	.	.	2,025
Week 2: Feb 5-11	839	764	422	230	17	23	.	.	.	.	2,295
Week 3: Feb 12-18	977	1,025	488	230	19	20	.	.	.	.	2,759
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,470	600	426	109	59	20	.	.	.	.	2,684
Week 2: Feb 5-11	1,646	600	642	338	62	33	.	.	.	.	3,321
Week 3: Feb 12-18	1,705	600	928	461	58	30	.	.	.	.	3,782
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	371	200	175	160	114	10	.	.	.	.	1,030
Week 2: Feb 5-11	427	200	224	190	53	10	.	.	.	.	1,104
Week 3: Feb 12-18	550	200	244	219	48	10	.	.	.	.	1,271
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	19	5	2	26
Week 2: Feb 5-11	21	5	3	29
Week 3: Feb 12-18	23	5	5	33

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	714	3...150
40ft	901	56...250
40ft High Cubes	1,539	87...400
40ft Refrigerated	113	0...36
20ft Refrigerated	17	0...10

*Data reflect the sum of the individual carriers' average weekly throughput over a 6-month timeframe



Norfolk											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	169	162	47	20	8	-3	.	.	.	.	403
Week 2: Feb 5-11	181	181	19	20	9	52	.	.	.	.	462
Week 3: Feb 12-18	160	193	17	20	9	102	.	.	.	.	501
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	120	115	65	30	10	-47	.	.	.	.	293
Week 2: Feb 5-11	69	38	42	30	10	-54	.	.	.	.	135
Week 3: Feb 12-18	21	-13	44	30	10	-56	.	.	.	.	36
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	464	450	67	12	9	-168	.	.	.	.	834
Week 2: Feb 5-11	502	450	38	9	-26	-97	.	.	.	.	876
Week 3: Feb 12-18	564	450	19	9	16	-101	.	.	.	.	957
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	125	42	38	10	4	-45	.	.	.	.	174
Week 2: Feb 5-11	71	35	45	10	3	-39	.	.	.	.	125
Week 3: Feb 12-18	18	6	59	10	1	-41	.	.	.	.	53
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	14	1	1	16
Week 2: Feb 5-11	16	1	2	19
Week 3: Feb 12-18	18	1	2	21

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	338	1...175
40ft	797	8...200
40ft High Cubes	1,035	74...300
40ft Refrigerated	139	0...58
20ft Refrigerated	6	0...5

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Oakland											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	477	125	117	80	8	-14	793
Week 2: Feb 5-11	408	41	45	80	9	13	.	.	.	.	596
Week 3: Feb 12-18	397	35	-153	80	10	12	.	.	.	.	381
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	469	180	8	-4	-31	-185	.	.	.	.	437
Week 2: Feb 5-11	395	180	8	-18	-22	-228	.	.	.	.	315
Week 3: Feb 12-18	483	180	11	-63	-26	-253	.	.	.	.	332
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	1,308	500	201	179	9	-364	.	.	.	.	1,833
Week 2: Feb 5-11	968	500	256	171	7	-262	.	.	.	.	1,640
Week 3: Feb 12-18	570	500	234	165	8	-280	.	.	.	.	1,197
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	369	129	30	10	-33	-47	.	.	.	.	458
Week 2: Feb 5-11	284	108	30	10	-74	-89	.	.	.	.	269
Week 3: Feb 12-18	217	96	30	10	-70	-131	.	.	.	.	152
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	22	10	-9	23
Week 2: Feb 5-11	25	10	-10	25
Week 3: Feb 12-18	28	10	-11	27

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Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	853	26...250
40ft	899	14...300
40ft High Cubes	1,199	34...400
40ft Refrigerated	358	26...120
20ft Refrigerated	24	0...8

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Savannah											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	141	100	66	59	48	3	417
Week 2: Feb 5-11	156	100	80	55	113	3	.	.	.	.	507
Week 3: Feb 12-18	208	100	88	43	167	3	.	.	.	.	609
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	304	100	4	-11	-49	-281	.	.	.	.	67
Week 2: Feb 5-11	227	100	4	-30	-33	-413	.	.	.	.	-145
Week 3: Feb 12-18	107	100	3	-36	-48	-556	.	.	.	.	-430
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	575	508	139	30	0	-241	.	.	.	.	1,011
Week 2: Feb 5-11	575	536	174	-3	0	-314	.	.	.	.	968
Week 3: Feb 12-18	575	382	179	-5	0	-410	.	.	.	.	721
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	117	112	100	87	21	10	.	.	.	.	447
Week 2: Feb 5-11	154	118	115	64	-54	10	.	.	.	.	407
Week 3: Feb 12-18	190	109	100	77	-59	10	.	.	.	.	427
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	10	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 2: Feb 5-11	10	2	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	13
Week 3: Feb 12-18	10	3	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	449	0...150
40ft	982	0...409
40ft High Cubes	1,450	21...385
40ft Refrigerated	221	0...80
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...2

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Seattle											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	100	40	21	7	168
Week 2: Feb 5-11	91	40	27	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	167
Week 3: Feb 12-18	84	40	29	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	162
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	117	4	2	-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	117
Week 2: Feb 5-11	78	10	2	-25	.	.	.	.	.	.	65
Week 3: Feb 12-18	38	10	2	-66	.	.	.	.	.	.	-16
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	90	61	6	-79	.	.	.	.	.	.	78
Week 2: Feb 5-11	90	39	4	-177	.	.	.	.	.	.	-44
Week 3: Feb 12-18	90	-35	9	-202	.	.	.	.	.	.	-138
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	50	20	10	-42	.	.	.	.	.	.	38
Week 2: Feb 5-11	57	20	10	-154	.	.	.	.	.	.	-67
Week 3: Feb 12-18	62	20	10	-266	.	.	.	.	.	.	-174
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	10	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Feb 5-11	10	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Feb 12-18	10	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	172	29...70
40ft	263	7...91
40ft High Cubes	462	104...148
40ft Refrigerated	172	0...122
20ft Refrigerated	7	0...5

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Tacoma											
20ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	151	140	117	8	5	421
Week 2: Feb 5-11	147	120	93	8	5	.	.	.	.	.	373
Week 3: Feb 12-18	139	114	88	8	5	.	.	.	.	.	354
40ft Dry											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	374	30	7	-28	-76	.	.	.	.	.	307
Week 2: Feb 5-11	452	30	8	-50	-118	.	.	.	.	.	322
Week 3: Feb 12-18	473	30	8	-60	-121	.	.	.	.	.	330
40ft High Cube											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	532	48	25	8	-473	.	.	.	.	.	140
Week 2: Feb 5-11	990	-31	25	9	-226	.	.	.	.	.	767
Week 3: Feb 12-18	906	-118	25	10	-240	.	.	.	.	.	583
40ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	102	5	0	-28	-207	.	.	.	.	.	-128
Week 2: Feb 5-11	170	5	0	-220	-270	.	.	.	.	.	-315
Week 3: Feb 12-18	163	5	0	-405	-194	.	.	.	.	.	-431
20ft Refrigerated											
	Carrier Availability Category Responses										Total
Current Week: Jan 29-Feb 4	10	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11
Week 2: Feb 5-11	7	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Feb 12-18	6	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.

Six-Month Snapshot of Average Weekly Throughput		
June 2012-November 2012		
Container Types	Average Total Weekly Throughput*	Range of Individual Carrier Responses
20ft	383	1...300
40ft	671	15...500
40ft High Cubes	797	76...600
40ft Refrigerated	493	0...203
20ft Refrigerated	4	0...4

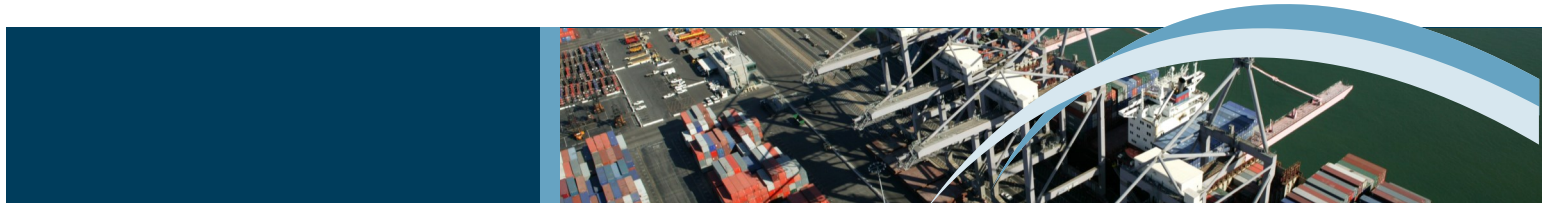
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Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 6 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The TSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, Hapag Lloyd, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, and OOCL.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 3–5 offer a national overview of weekly container availability, as well as an average of availability over the past 6 months. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
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 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
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